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SUBJ: DIVIDED FAMILIES (DOBROSIELSKI MEETING)

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1. IN MEETING WITH ME JULY 31 DOBROSIELSKI NOTED THAT
GOP HAD RESOLVED 56 DIVIDED FAMILY CASES BY ISSUING
PASSPORTS AND EXPRESSED HOPE THIS WOULD WIPE SLATE CLEAN.

2. I DEMURRED, STATING THAT WE WELCOMED POLISH
ACTION AND HOPED IT WAS ENCOURAGING AUGURY FOR THE FUTURE,
BUT NOT ALL OF 56 WERE CASES WE HAD REPRESENTED TO GOP AND
WE HAD MANY MORE UNSOLVED CASES. SWEWCYK INTERVENED TO
SAY THAT THERE WERE MANY "FICTITIOUS" CASES ON OUR LISTS.
I REPLIED THAT I HAD INSTRUCTED OUR COUNSELOR FOR CONSULAR
AFFAIRS TO REVIEW SERIES OF LISTS WE HAD PREVIOUSLY SUB-
MITTED TO GOP AND THAT, WHEN THIS PROCESS COMPLETED, WE
WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH MFA TO MAKE CASE BY CASE
REVIEW TO WHICH DOBROSIELSKI AND FRELEK HAD AGREED. IF
THERE WERE ANY "FICITIOUS" CASES WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO
DETERMINE THAT IN OUR JOINT REVIEW.

3. ESSENTIALLY, I ADDED, THE MAGNITUDE OF THE
NUMBER OF DIVIDED FAMILY CASES IN POLAND DEMANDED
THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER ON THIS
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QUESTION. A ONE-TIME ACTION BY GOP WILL NOT END
THE MATTER. BUILDING ON THE RECENT ENCOURAGING
ACTION BY THE GOP WE HOPE STEADILY TO REDUCE THIS
ISSUE BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I MENTIONED ALSO
THAT POLISH-AMERICANS IN US SEEMED TO BE INCREASINGLY
CONCERNED BY HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS AND THEY REPRESENT
CONSITUENCY WE CANNOT INGNORE.

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